July 18, 2016

To State Water Resources Control Board

Policy Statement

Locke resident AGAINST The California WATERFIX - 3 Proposed New Intakes on the Sacramento River

I am the very survivor of the Locke fire that took place on July 3 afternoon. It jolted me to realize how important it is to have quick response time for the emergency vehicles. How vulnerable is our heritage? How fragile is our physical testimonial? With 5.4 million pile driving strikes, continuous rumbling of the heavy trucks, will our 101 years old poorly built structures withstand those impacts. They were poorly built because the people who sought the opportunity to build them were constricted to the low standard. The low standard is the testimonial to the history. We have every responsibility to preserve them in the name of educating our future generations and preserving our heritage.

Although my shop was burned but I am determined to rebuild. This is the place we can build on our legacy. This is the only and the last rural living China Town in the country. Please let us keep this piece of history. There is far more historical contribution from Chinese than what we have to show for. Please give us the chance to exist.

Please don't throw away our past and present in the name of creating an unknown, even a white elephant.

Vote No on anything that would destroy the Delta's economic contributions. Vote No on anything that would destroy Locke's existence.

Sincerely Yours,

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